

# **AUBURN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES REGULAR SESSION**

**February 23, 2004**

**Closed Session 5:30 p.m**

**Regular Session 6:00 p.m.**

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California with Mayor Cheryl Maki presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

## **ROLL CALL**

**Council Members Present:** Kathy Sands, Alice Dowdin, Kevin Hanley, Mike Holmes, Mayor Cheryl Maki

**Council Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** City Manager Bob Richardson  
City Attorney Charles Wachob  
Public Works Director Tom Fossum  
Engineering Division Manager Bernie Schroeder  
Airport Manager Jerry Martin

- (1) By **MOTION** adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: **MOTION: Holmes/Hanley/Approved by voice**

## **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

Title: City Manager

- (2) By **MOTION** adjourn to Closed Session under Government Code Section 54956.9: **MOTION: Holmes/Hanley/Approved by voice**

## **CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Property: APN 004-010-010

Agency Negotiator: Robert Richardson

Negotiating Parties: Samuel Harrosh

Under Negotiation: Instruction to negotiator concerning price and/or terms of payment

**RECONVENE** to Regular Session. Mayor Maki announced that the Council took no reportable action during the Closed Session.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Certificate of Appreciation to Michael Fontaine for his service on the Telecommunications Commission.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Approved without objection.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. **Dorer Drive Drainage Project**

By **RESOLUTION 04-16** authorize the Director of Public Works to file a Notice of completion for the subject project and accept the storm drain easements and sewer easement on Dorer Drive.

2. **Auburn Multimodal Station Project**

By **RESOLUTION 04-17** authorize the Director of Public Works to file a Notice of Completion for the Auburn Multimodal Station Project.

3. **Inactive Committees and Commissions**

This item was removed by Council Member Alice Dowdin; follows Consent Calendar.

4. **Acceptance of Deed of Gift**

This item was removed by Mayor Maki; follows Consent Calendar.

\*\*\*\*\* End of Consent Calendar \*\*\*\*\*

By **MOTION** approve Consent Calendar as amended. **MOTION:**  
**Holmes/Sands/Approved 5:0**

5. **Inactive Committees and Commissions**

This item was removed by Council Member Dowdin; follows Consent Calendar.

Council Member Dowdin did not think the Project Area Committee should be rescinded because it will likely be reactivated because the Project Area will probably soon be amended. She said she favored leaving these items on the books.

Council Member Hanley said he saw no reason to keep the Annexation Committee or the Airport Commission. He foresaw no annexation by the City in the foreseeable future. The airport has a manager and an advisory committee that seem to be working well.

Council Member Holmes favored a public hearing to see what airport users and others think about rescinding the Airport Commission.

The Mayor requested the City Clerk to send letters to members of the PAC and Annexation Committees to resign if they so choose. To those members who have not filed the Fair Political Practices Commission's Form 700, the letter should state that the City is assuming that they have resigned. Currently the Airport Commission has no members.

- A. By **RESOLUTION** rescind Resolution 99-14 and thereby sunset the Project Area Committee (PAC). **NO ACTION TAKEN**
- B. By **RESOLUTION 04-18** rescind Resolution 98-120 and thereby sunset the Annexation Committee. **MOTION: Holmes/Hanley/ Approved 3:2/No: Sands/Dowdin**
- C. By **MOTION** direct staff to hold a public hearing to rescind Ordinance No. 97-7 and thereby sunset the Airport Commission. **MOTION: Holmes/Hanley/Approved by voice**

6. **Acceptance of Deed of Gift**

Mayor Maki removed this item from the Consent Calendar so she could publicly thank the Collins family for their generosity in donating these historical items to the City of Auburn. The mayor also encouraged citizens to donate anything they might think has historical value for our museums.

By **RESOLUTION 04-19** accept the Deed of Gift from the J.S. Collins Family Estate and authorize the Mayor to execute the Deed of Gift on behalf of the City of Auburn. **MOTION: Maki/Holmes/Approved 5:0**

7. **Public Comment**

Council Member Holmes said he attended a follow-up meeting about the preservation of the old firehouse on El Dorado Street. There was a good turnout of interested parties. There were a number of people who wanted to donate money.

Brian Jensen, representing Congressman John Doolittle, spoke on the merits of the annual Cap-to-Cap meetings in Washington and encouraged members of the Council to send one or more members to lobby on behalf of the City of Auburn and the region.

**REPORTS**

8. **Quarterly Reports from Committees and Commissions**

A. Telecommunications Commission

Postponed.

9. **Informational Reports from Staff**

A. Public Works Director Update

Public Works Director Tom Fossum reported that the transfer of the Transfer Station from downtown to the Multimodal station went well. Now all the transit providers in the Auburn area meet at the new transfer facility.

Staff has devoted a considerable amount of time to the relocation of the Auburn School District property and the School Park Preserve project.

10. **City Council Committee Reports**

Council Member Sands said she had attended the Unsung Heroes of Auburn Community Service Awards presentation honoring Genny Westerman, June Wilson and Becky Siren for their special deeds in the community, their neighborhood or to their friends.

Council Member Holmes said that the Traffic Committee had concluded that making College Way into a one-way street wouldn't solve the problem of people picking up and dropping off their children at Placer High School. The Committee will continue working with the school district to try to devise a way to relieve traffic congestion during those hours.

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **11. Performing Arts Center Funding Request**

City Manager Bob Richardson said this is a request by the Performing Arts Committee for \$1 million of the anticipated \$6 million funding requirements of the Performing Arts Center. Although this is not a city project and because the request is coming from the Auburn jurisdiction, Congressman Doolittle requires the City Council to make the request on behalf of the Performing Arts Center.

By **RESOLUTION 04-20** approve the funding request by the APPACC and forward it to Congressman Doolittle for consideration in the Fiscal Year 2005 Federal Budget appropriations. **MOTION: Dowdin/Holmes/ Approved 5:0**

### **12. Funding Request for Auburn Marketplace**

Bruce Cosgrove, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, gave the presentation. He said the Chamber views the Marketplace as a business venture, not an event. It is a "very long-term commitment". In this first year of operation, the Marketplace is expected to have up to 100 vendors and farmers' booths. Having 100 quality vendors that can provide the downtown with upscale artisans and crafters who are not in competition with the local merchants is the model the Chamber is using.

The Economic Development Commission (EDC) recommends funding in the amount of \$19,750, which reflects a combination of in-kind (\$5,950 for Law enforcement and \$500 for street sweeping) and direct funding (\$12,000) for 50 Marketplace events.

Mayor Maki suggested that all the members of the Chamber of Commerce, who have web sites, create a link to the Auburn Marketplace on their own websites. This would create free advertising for the Marketplace.

Dan Sokol of 1330 Deerwood Place said he was disturbed that the organization that supported candidates on the Council would come back to the Council asking for money. In these austere times the money would be better spent for other purposes. However he felt the in-kind services requested is legitimate, because this is the type of thing the city should be doing.

By **RESOLUTION 04-21** affirm the Economic Development Commission's recommendation to approve the Chamber's funding request of \$19,750 (\$7,750 for in-kind services and \$12,000 for direct support). **MOTION:**  
**Sands/Holmes/Approved 5:0**

13. **Endurance Capital Advertisement in the 2004 Sierra Visitor's Guide**

By **RESOLUTION 04-22** approve funding in the amount of \$1,250 for the placement of a half-page ad in the 2004 Sierra Visitor's Guide.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:43 p.m.

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Cheryl Maki, Mayor

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Joseph G.R. Labrie, City Clerk